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Some last quick ideas.

Tom Clancy the best seller might be just as well off, if he could get the publishers out of the process, he would still get his \$1 per book for example, the rest of the book income was going to the publisher. But at \$1 per book, Tom Clancy would be lots better off than today, due to increased sales volume.

And consider Microsoft and Bill Gates with his billions, I believe from looking at the display stands that each Windows OS CD/DVD is priced as if it was printed, page by page, on a printing press, instead of stamped out, as per CD/DVD duplication.

Yet, most OEM PC assemblers get Windows from Microsoft on a master disk. The fact that I and others have to pay heaps for a Windows CD/DVD, means we more likely buy a new PC with pre-installed Windows Version Latest than just progressively upgrade our hardware and buy the latest Win OS CD/DVD at a stamped out, not printed price.

Bill Gates gets away with that, because there was no real alternative to Windows so no wonder he is so brassed off over piracy, reverse engineering, and allowing other software writers enough information so to make their applications work well with Windows. (Note Microsoft only created its own PDF format, its own browser, its own image formats etc, after more creative competitors got in first, yes, lots of money does help replace lack of original ideas and creative thinking)

And all the copyright and patent laws have not protected MS and Windows as Apple and Microsoft once clashed over the Ctrl and X key combination. Christ, how could that have been protected?)

Now Open Source has arrived

Linux and the Ubuntu distribution are destroying the MS Windows business model.

Only due to the WWW can people like us, work together to create a open source OS, and only due to the WWW can it be freely distributed worldwide, so as it becomes more popular (I believe some USA government departments are already using it)

Imagine open source movies, or in other words, a group of people around the world, using their computers and the WWW, to turn out a block buster movie?

So, when movies were first invented, great movies were made, one camera, a few actors etc, then as technology improved, lots more work was involved, special effects, editing

etc, even the stars demanding more money.

We are close to doing away with all that old technology, one person and a computer could conceive a idea for a story, and turn it into a block buster movie all by herself.

I think the copyright laws for works of art, text, video, music need to be urgently revised worldwide, to ensure the original creator of a idea gets his/her 50 cents per copy, because the big production companies and publishers that made the most income from a best selling work of art are fast becoming history.

As for Bill Gates and MS, they were slow to catch on regarding the possibilities of the WWW, but not so slow now, because they have begun planning for the demise of Windows, the future is not a bloated OS, but WWW access with on-line applications.

I think that soon, all our ideas about writing, publishing and reading a book, will be completely revised; gone will be everything, bar the author and the reader.

Back to the old world of the craftsmen, gone will be all the mass production hiring 1000s of people. Think ST replicator technology, just needing craftsmen to design/make the original model of things, from which to replicate perfect copies of.

That idea came from an old SiFi book I read maybe 150-years ago, anybody got the title, and where I can get a copy?

I just recalled, in the story, somebody had the bright idea of replicating, but Star Trek covers that, as they don't use such things as any form of money, and now today's world is fast going to electronic money.

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